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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Andrew McIntosh Soutar, et al.  
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For: PROCESS FOR SILVER PLATING IN PRINTED  
CIRCUIT BOARD MANUFACTURE  
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**BOX AMENDMENT**

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Amend the following claims:

1. (Amended) A process for forming a silver coating on a surface of a first metal [which is less electropositive] having a first electropositivity less than an electropositivity of silver, the process comprising a step of:

(a) contacting the [metal] surface of the first metal with an aqueous [displacement plating] composition comprising silver ions and a multidentate complexing agent, the aqueous

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